

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Public Services – EFS&T Department – Sri B. Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer (Retd)., i/c Gudur Range of Gudur (WLM) division of Mahabubabad – Disciplinary action initiated – further action Dropped – Orders Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 94

Dated: 19-08-2020

Read the following:

1. From the PCCF, Hyd., Rc.No.17988/2017/D&A-3, dated: 6.3.2019.
2. PCCF, Rc.No.17988/2017/D&A-3, dated: 24.3.2018.
3. PCCF Proc.No.17988/2018 D&A-3(i) &(ii),dated: 13.4.2018.
4. Written Statement submitted by Sri B.Rajaih, FRO (Retd) on 08.4.2018.
5. CCF/CF Warangal Rc.No.879/2018/M3, dated:16.2.2019.
6. Govt. Memo No.1020/For.III/A1/2019, dated:27.3.2019.
7. From the PCCF, Hyderabad., Rc.No.17988/2017/D&A-3, dated: 20.4.2019.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in her letter 1st read above has reported that a complaint petition was filed by the villagers of Gudur Mandal against Sri B.Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer, for the irregularities committed by him during his tenure as I/c FRO, WL Gudur Range of WL Division of Mahabubad District stating that he has collected an amount of Rs. 2,25,000/- from different persons illegally for his personal gain.

2. An Article Of Charge was issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Hyderabad against Sri B.Rajaiah, Forest Range Officer, I/c Gudur Range of WLM Division Guduru, under Rule 20 of the A.P.C.S.(CCA) Rules, 1991 on the following count:

Article of Charge: "That he Mis-used his powers as an Forest Range Officer, and involved himself in corrupt activities thereby exhibited the conduct unbecoming of Government employee and derogatory to the prestige of Department."

3. The Charged Officer acknowledged the Article of Charge on 31.3.2018, and submitted his written statement of defense on 08.4.2018 in the reference 4th read above. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests appointed the CCF/CF Warangal and District Forest Officer Mahabubabad as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officers respectively vide the reference 3rd read above .

4. The Inquiry Officer has submitted Inquiry Report to the PCCF in his letter 5th read above; in which he has observed that, during the course of Inquiry and examining the depositions made by the Charged officer and examining the witnesses, there is no documentary proof/Evidence of accepting or collecting money from the Villagers by Sri. B. Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer Gudur presently retired and the persons who stated

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before the flying squad party regarding payment of amount through some persons have failed to attend, and to prove the same during the regular Inquiry even after giving several chances/Notices to them to prove that the statement given before the Flying squad Party is true. Further the persons to whom they have stated that they paid amount have denied regarding the same during the regular Inquiry. In the absence of corroborative evidences during Inquiry, the charges could not be proved. Hence, the Inquiry Authority has found that the charge against Sri B. Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer (Retd) is not proved.

5. Since, the Charged Officer has retired from service on 30.4.2018 on attaining the age of superannuation, Government being the Competent Authority to conclude the disciplinary action against Sri B. Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer (now retired) U/R 9 of Revised Pension Rules-1980 after careful consideration of the Report of the Inquiry Authority have decided to drop the further action against the Charged Officer Sri B. Rajaiah Forest Range Officer (now retired) .

6. Government after careful examination of the entire matter with reference to the record of the Inquiry report and recommendations of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad have decided to drop further action against Sri B. Rajaiah, the then Forest Range Officer (now retired) U/R 9 of Revised Pension Rules -1980.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

A.SANTHI KUMARI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Individual (through the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana, Hyderabad.)

Copy to:

The Accountant General (A&E), Telangana, Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad.
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